

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An ATV comprising:
 - a frame;
 - at least three wheels suspended from the frame, at least one of which is a front wheel and at least one of which is a rear wheel, the front wheel defining a front wheel axis and the rear wheel defining a rear axis;
 - a power unit for driving at least one of the wheels;
 - a straddle-type seat including a main seat portion for a driver and a secondary seat portion, rearward of the main portion, for a passenger; and
 - a steering member connected to the frame for steering at least one of the wheels,wherein the secondary seat portion has a secondary supporting range with a center that is disposed in front of the rear axis.
2. The ATV of claim 1, wherein:
 - the at least three wheels comprise only four wheels, two of which are rear wheels;
 - each of the wheels includes an ATV-type tire; and
 - the steering member comprises handlebars.
3. The ATV of claim 2, wherein the center of the secondary supporting range is disposed in front of the rear axis by between 1 and 19 inches.
4. The ATV of claim 3, wherein the center of the secondary supporting range is disposed in front of the rear axis by between 4 and 15 inches.

5. The ATV of claim 2, wherein the secondary seat portion includes a secondary supporting range that is entirely positioned in front of the rear axis.
6. The ATV of claim 2, wherein a ratio of a distance between the front axis and the center of the secondary supporting range to a distance between the secondary supporting range and the rear axis is between 2 and 50.
7. The ATV of claim 6, wherein the ratio is less than 40.
8. The ATV of claim 7, wherein the ratio is less than 30.
9. The ATV of claim 8, wherein the ratio is less than 20.
10. An ATV comprising:
 - at least three wheels suspended from the frame, at least one of which is a front wheel and at least one of which is a rear wheel, the front wheel defining a front axis and the rear wheel defining a rear axis;
 - a power unit for driving at least one of the wheels disposed on the frame;
 - a straddle-type seat including a main seat portion for a driver and a secondary seat portion, rearward of the main portion, for a passenger; and
 - a steering member connected to the frame for steering at least one of the wheels,wherein the main seat portion has a main supporting range with a center that is disposed in front of the rear axis by at least 13 inches.

11. The ATV of claim 11, wherein:

the at least three wheels comprise only four wheels, two of which are rear wheels;

the front wheels define the front axis and the rear wheels define the rear axis;

each of the wheels includes an ATV-type tire; and

the steering member comprises handlebars.

12. The ATV of claim 12, wherein the center of the main supporting range is disposed in front of the rear axis by at least 15 inches.

13. The ATV of claim 12, wherein the center of the main supporting range is disposed in front of the rear axis by at least 19 inches.

14. The ATV of claim 13, wherein the center of the main supporting range is disposed in front of the rear axis by between 21 and 30 inches.